

IN THE CLAIMS:

All of the pending claims, 14-24, are set forth below. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (currently amended), (cancelled) or (new). Please CANCEL claims 1-13 without prejudice or disclaimer. Please AMEND the claims 14 and 15 and ADD claims 16-24 in accordance with the following:

A1 1-13. (cancelled)

14. (currently amended) An optical disc reproduction apparatus to reproduce data from an optical disc, comprising:

- a main body;
- a tray slidably installed in the main body;
- an optical pickup device to reproduce data on said optical disc; and
- a damping unit to absorb shock when the tray is loaded and unloaded from the main body.

15. (currently amended) The optical disc reproduction apparatus according to claim 9 14, wherein said damping unit absorbs shock during reproduction of the data on the optical disc.

16. (new) An optical disc changer, comprising:

- a main body;
- a tray slidably installed in the main body to accommodate a plurality of optical discs;
- an optical pickup device to reproduce one of the optical discs;
- a stop member and a hook step provided at the tray and the main body, respectively, to prevent the tray from escaping from the main body during unloading; and
- a damper to absorb an impact when the stop member and the hook step bump against each other.

17. (new) The optical disc changer according to claim 16, wherein the damper is disposed between the stop member and the hook step to absorb an impact when the stop member and the hook step bump against each other.

18. (new) The optical disc changer according to claim 17, wherein the damper is installed at the hook step and a shortest portion of the damper protrudes toward the stop

member rather than the hook step.

19. (new) The optical disc changer according to claim 18, wherein the damper has a cylindrical shape and is fixedly inserted around a protrusion formed on the tray or the main body.

20. (new) The optical disc changer according to claim 16, wherein the stop member and the hook step approach each other, without a bump, in a direction opposite to a direction for unloading.

21. (new) The optical disc changer according to claim 20, wherein the stop member and/or the hook step retreat when a force is applied in a direction opposite to the direction for unloading and elastically return to an original position when the force is removed.

22. (new) The optical disc changer according to claim 21, wherein an inclination is formed on the stop member or the hook step at a side opposite to a side that bumps during unloading, to move the stop member and the hook step not to bump against each other when approaching each other in a direction opposite to a direction during unloading.

23. (new) The optical disc changer according to claim 22, wherein the stop member and or the hook step is formed on a plate having elasticity and extending from one side of a through hole formed in the tray or the main body.

24. (new) The optical disc changer according to claim 23, wherein the damper is installed on the plate.
